

COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) 25X1 REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Staaken Airfield

EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED] 25X1

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 22 April 1952

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

[REDACTED] 25X1

[REDACTED] 1. Between 2:40 and 2:45 p.m. on 13 March 1952, [REDACTED] Staaken 25X1
 25X1 airfield. Two Dakotas were parked in front of the hangar in the south-
 eastern corner of the landing field. There was no flying. About 25 soldiers
 practiced firing at silhouettes in the middle of the field. No other
 25X1 soldiers were observed at the field.

[REDACTED] 2. Every day at 6:10 p.m. during the period from 10 to 16 March, [REDACTED] 25X1
 25X1 [REDACTED] observed no combat unit stationed there. On 14
 March, Soviet soldiers burned the grass on several spots at the installa-
 tion.

[REDACTED] 3. Between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on 19 March, three twin-engine planes practiced
 25X1 taking off, formation flying and landing for about 10 minutes. On 21 March,
 the field was occupied by six twin-engine planes. The aircraft made
 individual take-offs and landings between 8 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. There
 was also formation flying by five and six aircraft which remained in the
 air for 15 minutes. Truck [REDACTED] moved toward the field. On 27 March,
 25X1 two twin-engine planes and 1 biplane were in front of the hangars. Between
 9 a.m. and 1:45 p.m., the biplane took off for flights which lasted from
 20 to 25 minutes. The plane landed in a square staked off by white and red
 flags. During the air activity, a radio truck, an ambulance, a fire truck
 25X1 and a truck were observed on the landing field. Four 37-mm AA guns were
 emplaced at the eastern edge of the field. Truck [REDACTED] moved toward
 25X1 the field. Between 7 and 8 a.m. and between 2 and 2:30 p.m. on 4 April,
 the field was occupied by 6 twin-engine planes which were parked in front
 of the hangars, and 2 single-engine, high-wing monoplanes. At 7:45 a.m.,
 25X1 a high-wing monoplane took off heading south. A high-wing monoplane
 landed about 2:15 p.m. and taxied to the hangar. Trucks [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] loaded with gasoline barrels, were observed at the field. *

25X1 * [REDACTED] Comment. The report confirms that Staaken airfield is still
 occupied by an air transport squadron.

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